IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Takeshi KURIBAYASHI et al.

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ELECTRONIC COMPONENT AND MOUNTING METHOD AND APPARATUS THEREOF (Rule 1.53(b) Continuation of Serial No. 09/319,779, Filed June 11, 1999)

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Abstract:

Kindly replace the original abstract (page 63) with the enclosed substitute abstract.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Between the Title and "TECHNICAL FIELD" (lines 4 and 5) insert the following continuing data information paragraph:

DH Slasloj M. Indga